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EUROPE.

BY THE ATLANTIC CABLE.

The Geneva Arbitration—The British Agent Demurs.

Special to the World.]

LONDON, July 18.—The British agent at Geneva has presented a demurrer, praying that the Tribunal exclude the cases of the Tallahassee, Chickamauga, Sumter, Nashville, Retribution, Boston, Sallie, Jeff. Davis, V. H. Jay and Music. Pending a decision, each side presented a process containing the essence of the arguments in support of their case and counter case. A summary of the American argument and statement in the case of the Florida was presented to-day.

Miscellaneous Dispatches.

VIENNA, July 18.—It is report that Gen. De Schweinitz, the German envoy to Austria, is espoused to the daughter of the United States Minister.

DUBLIN, July 18.—Baron Deasy in the opening of the trial of the persons charged with burning Justice Keogh in effigy, said the said outrage was witnessed by thousands of Keogh's fellow countrymen with savage satisfaction. Such scenes could not take place in any other civilized country. They would not come to be tolerated in the great Republic during a Presidential contest.

A London dispatch from Portsaid, announces the arrival there, and subsequent departure for England, of Stanley the hero of the Living-tone search; he is accompanied by the son of Livingstone.

The Markets.

LONDON, July 18, 5 P. M.—The bullion in the Bank of England has increased £881,000. The rate of discount in the Bank of England has been reduced ½ per cent., and is now 3½. Consols for money 92½ @ 93; for account 92½. United States Bonds—5 20s of '62, 91½; do of '65, 92½; do of '67, 91½; 10-40s, 86¾. Linseed oil, 28s. Petroleum—refined 16d.

LIVERPOOL, July 18.—Cotton—Sales of the week 70,000 bales; speculation and export 10,000 bales; including Orleans 10,500 bales; sales 8,000 bales; middling Orleans 10½d; sales 8,000 bales; middling uplands 10¾d; sales 8,000 bales; low middling 10¼@10½; good ordinary 9¾; ordinary 9½; the week's receipts 70,000 bales; American 52,000 bales; exports 10,000 bales; stock 584,000 bales; American 400,000 bales; afloat 200,000 bales; American 100,000 bales; sales of the week 70,000 bales; speculation and export 10,000 bales; American 52,000 bales; actual export 10,000 bales; forwarded 14,000 bales; American 8,000 bales; total import of the week 70,000 bales; American 52,000 bales; sales of

The Daily Commercial.

FRIDAY, JULY 19, 1872.

It is said that, since the Baltimore nominations were made, crows are rapidly disappearing in Democratic sections of the country, presumably on account of the demand which has arisen for them as an article of diet. The reason why the Pittsburgh *Post* "is not ashamed" of its former utterances concerning the Democratic candidate, is supposed to be that, having eaten its dish, it naturally wants to be heard for its caws.

THE New York *Herald* concedes that North Carolina will be carried against the GREELEY coalition next month, and wonders that any one should entertain doubts on the subject. The *Herald*, which is working now in the interest of GREELEY, is suspiciously willing to make this admission. We shall not claim the State until we know it has been won. The Greeleyites are making great exertions, and profess confidence they will carry the State.

TOWARD our sweet-tempered neighbor, the *Post*, we beg everybody to extend a kindly sympathy. Its condition is extremely distressing. Having for months averred in every form of which language was capable that it never could and never would support GREELEY, and having been brought under discipline whereby it is compelled to shout GREELEY at the top of its voice, great allowance must be made for its temper. Go ahead, gentle neighbor, and free your mind; everybody understands your case perfectly.

MR. GREELEY says he is a Republican, Senator TRUMBULL says he is a Republican, and so they all say when addressing Republicans. But Democratic orators speak in another tone, and declare that GREELEY is a good Democrat. Now who is right? Honest voters naturally want to know. Or is it a case of mutual deception—a jiggle with which honest voters should have nothing to do? Perhaps the fact that all the disreputable Tammanyites are for GREELEY will help to relieve inquirers of their doubts. With such backers it should matter little with them under what head a candidate is classed.

WE don't wish to distress our neighbor, the *Post*, but would like to know whether it was telling the honest truth, a month ago, when it said GRANT was to be preferred by Democrats to GREELEY, or, when a week ago, as now, with solemn earnestness it assured Democrats that GREELEY was just the man for them. These things are so mixed that one may reasonably be a little confused and ask for an explanation. "Absurd as it may appear to the *Post*, it is even true that there are those who think it is bound at least to attempt some better explanation than it has yet given, and that abuse of the COMMERCIAL scarcely approaches the subject.

THERE is credible authority for the statement that, in view of the promised satisfactory solution of the treaty question and of the prosperous business outlook in Great Britain, the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury will shortly go to Europe with a new installment of our bonds for the European markets. Very naturally the financiers and capitalists of the old world were slow to invest in our securities so long as the fate of the treaty was in doubt. But with the amicable settlement of this important question, foreign capitalists will have a better appreciation of their value. It is believed a strong demand will speedily arise for them, and it is anticipated that the time for their easiest sale will be when the international questions at issue between the United States and Great Britain are settled. Hence the contemplated movement.

BY NO MEANS least among the many proofs which the present administration has given of laudable interest in whatever affects the welfare and prosperity of the nation, has been its concern to advance the educational opportunities of the people. Great progress has been made in this important direction, and although the efforts of the Republican party to make intelligence the basis of the republic have not been seconded as they deserved to be, many desirable results have followed in the train of its action. Some day it will be seen that ignorance and crime are twin-brothers, and then there will be less opposition to compulsory education than now. The Commissioner of Education is paving the way for a better comprehension of this matter. Statistics are now being gathered under his direction in all the penal institutions of the country, concerning the relation of crime to ignorance and education. When the inquiries have been fully answered, the statistics thus obtained will be collated and published for public information. This is an excellent step. The importance of the subject, and the manner in which it affects the most vital interests of the people, can hardly be overestimated.

THE INFLUENCES THAT NOMINATED GREELEY.

Remarking on the Mobile *Register's* statement that in declaring for GREELEY as against GRANT it is moved solely by a sense of duty, in a forlorn case, to yield up all its cherished convictions, the Cincinnati *Commercial* reminds that journal that the nomination of Mr. GREELEY, both at Cincinnati and Baltimore, was chiefly due to Southern influence. But for this pressure, it says, ADAMS would have been nominated at Cincinnati, notwithstanding the arrangement made the night previous between the friends of GRATZ BROWN, while the same cause prevented the Baltimore Convention from following Democratic usage and putting up a straight ticket. This is interesting, although it does not tell the whole story. While an analysis of the vote at Cincinnati will demonstrate the correctness of the *Commercial's* assertion, as far as it goes, it will show also—what our contemporary fails to mention—that this Southern strength was strongly reinforced by Tammany influence, and that the nomination of Mr. GREELEY was the result of a combination between these two elements. At Baltimore a similar offensive and defensive alliance existed, and there, as at Cincinnati, the coalition carried the day. In putting "the responsibility where it belongs," the *Commercial* should not forget this fact, nor that—according to its own statement, made just before the Baltimore Convention:

"The Democratic party machinery of New York, including Tammany, is at work for Greeley. It is true, also, within our own knowledge, that some of the worst men in this community, those who have plundered and fattened upon public plunder, and are notorious schemers to empty the pockets of the many into the hands of the few, are Greeley men, and most anxious to be known as such, evidently punishing themselves, hoping to have profitable recognition. That in Cincinnati which corresponds most closely to Tammany is for Greeley. Our Boss Tweed is a Greeley man."

IT is no wonder that honest Democrats North and South alike, turn with loathing and abhorrence from the discreditable truck and dicker.

CONSIDERATIONS FOR GREELEY REPUBLICANS.

Some time ago, in defining the issues of the campaign, the Missouri *Republican*, which originated the "passive" or coalition policy, stated, as the "main consideration" why Democrats should support it, that its success would carry with it the election of a Democratic majority in the lower branch of Congress; a result which, notwithstanding the Republican preponderance in the Senate, would amount to almost "a full Democratic ascendancy"—the Cincinnati platform, according to that journal, being more than eight-twelfths Democratic, while the pledges of the candidate who stood upon it fully made up the lacking remainder. In a similar vein the New York *Express* lately pointed out that if Mr. GREELEY were elected he would bring in with him from 30 to 40 Senators and fifty to a hundred and eighty anti-administration Representatives, and that the additional twelve Senators needed to constitute a coalition majority might be gained by an energetic effort to secure the control of the local Legislatures in this State and elsewhere. "When Congress is ours," it said, "we have control of the government," and are safe. So, too, we observe a contract has been entered into in Illinois by which the Democracy are to vote for Liberal candidates in Republican congressional districts, the Liberals, in turn, supporting Democratic nominees in Democratic districts. The campaign in our own State is also to be run in exactly a similar groove. Other evidence is also at hand showing the existence of a general understanding that this is the course to be pursued. The St. Louis *Times*, answering the objections of a straight-out Democrat to the Baltimore nomination, says it fully agrees with the objector that either PENDLETON, HENDRICKS or HOFFMAN would administer the government as ably and acceptably as GREELEY, if they only had the chance, adding, "the reason why we support GREELEY a little more earnestly than our friend does, is because we want to help them get the chance." If any other proof were needed of the fact that Mr. GREELEY, who said he accepted the Baltimore nomination "in the spirit in which it was tendered," was put forth, and contemplated to be put forth, as the tool of the reactionary portion of the Democratic party, and to pull their chestnuts out of the fire, the following passage from the *World* will supply it:

"With Mr. Greeley's election to the Presidency we shall elect a Democratic House of Representatives, and also a majority of the State Legislatures, thus making a great inroad into the Republican ascendancy in the Federal Senate."

Republicans are respectfully invited to ponder the significance of these things, as contrasted with the candidate's recent declaration that he is still "as good a Republican as ever." Moreover, if it be in the power of politicians thus to get clear of the old principles they have professed for twenty-five years, how long will it take them to dispose of the new principles which have been adopted merely for political purposes? Let it everywhere be remembered that Mr. GREELEY has explicitly pledged himself, in the event of his election, to ignore the veto power, leaving everything to Congress—and that, having thus effectually bound him, the Democrats are trying to obtain control of that body. This is the use to which the Democratic leaders, whose course has elicited such various interpretation and comment, propose to put their Republican recruits. How do they like it?

WEST POINT VISITED.

Reports of West Point Visiting Boards, as we remember them, have usually been rather uninteresting documents. The impression produced by one of them seldom failed to be highly favorable to the school and to the gentlemen entrusted with its management and instruction. If faults were pointed out, it was done for the most part in terms so deprecatory and apologetic, that no one's feelings could be wounded and hardly any one's convenience could be disturbed by criticism so bland and gentle. It would, however, be unfair as well as uncharitable to suppose that the signers of such reports were either deficient in discernment and courage, or insincere in the expression of their opinions. West Point was established a long time ago—in 1802, we believe—and with the assistance of Baron STEUBEN it was organized upon what was then deemed the best European system of military education. Though some changes have since been introduced, the system has ever since remained essentially the same, and has been carried out in practice with the strictness and conservatism which were to be expected from the regularly trained military men by whom it was administered. The rules of conduct laid down for the direction of the cadets were upon the whole sternly enforced: the limited range of study prescribed was steadily taught: with a respectable measure of efficiency, and a certain amount of application to books and to the martial arts of the curriculum, with corresponding attainments in the same, was rigorously insisted upon. Cadets who, through idleness, or depravity, or weakness, whether of mind or body, failed to meet the requirements of the school, were sent away, so that only picked men, generally speaking, completed the course of study. Hence, upon the whole, excellent results were reached. Until a quite recent time West Point in several respects appeared to great advantage in comparison with any one of most American colleges. While the college was glad to receive all comers, whether prepared or not for its opportunities, and was so dependent upon patronage that it dared not to exact close compliance with its own rules as to either behaviour or study, and was thus compelled to tolerate idleness and shams of all kinds, West Point, independent of fulsome and public applause, was in a position to sustain its real character, and to effect for its students all that it promised. No doubt a considerable proportion of them fell far enough below the standard of the school, but the education even of the laggards was seen to be real as far as it went. Small wonder that visitors, often professors in other colleges, seeing what had been accomplished, could find only terms of commendation for the system in all its details, while they modestly abstained from suggesting improvements which in those days might have seemed purely theoretical.

While West Point has remained for the most part stationary, or rather has continued to move contentedly in the old familiar routine, the colleges of the better class have made long strides in the way of improvement. In fact, several of the branches belonging essentially to a complete military education are now more extensively and thoroughly taught in some of the scientific and polytechnic schools of the country than in the old school on the Hudson. It was, therefore, full time for an attempt to raise West Point to the educational level of the age—the motive which may be suspected to have influenced the Secretary of War in the selection of the Board of Visitors whose report has just been published. In its details and suggestions it is not difficult to trace the hands of men practically familiar with the work of education. CHARLES W. ELIOT, of Massachusetts, is one of the names attached to the paper. The report is not an attack upon West Point. On the contrary, the Board profess "their pride in its honorable past and their zeal for its improvement and growth in the future," adding that "gratitude, pride and prudence should impel the nation to cherish the Military Academy of West Point." But the best evidence of the Board's genuine interest in the school is presented in their candid, entirely unreserved and thorough exposure of its defects and objectionable features. One particular upon which they dwell with much emphasis is that "the very low intellectual condition of the majority of the young men who gain admission to the Academy." While all the colleges have within the last few years raised their standard of admission so as to require an acquaintance with branches of knowledge which formerly formed a part of the college course, the terms of entrance at West Point are but little more severe than they were in the beginning. "It is a fact," the Board say, "which affects the whole course of study at the Academy." Then the course of study itself, the time assigned to each branch, and the adjustment of the various branches to one another in the order of instruction, are thought to call urgently for reform. No sufficient attention is paid by the cadets to the study of their own language: rhetoric is not taught, and there are no exercises in English composition. Natural philosophy and chemistry seem to be taught in the antiquated way, that is, by mere recitations from a text book, practical theories and speculations being authoritatively dictated to the student, while no effort is made to train him in observation and experiment. In reference to all these points, the Board suggest the needful reforms. The entire organization or arrangement for teaching seems also so grossly defective and inefficient that its long retention is a striking illustration of military conservatism. All the instructors are young graduates of the Academy, who, after a few years of service on the frontier or on the seaboard, return to West Point to serve as teachers for a few years under the direction of the professors. Neither on the frontier nor on the coast are they likely to have added much to the acquisitions which they carried away from the Academy, and teaching under the superintendence of their old superiors, they cannot be expected to exemplify any other method than that of mere repeaters, who "tell the tale as 'twas told to them." The professors, it should be said, are most of their professorial work by means of these ever changing proxies. The old fashioned oral examinations and the recitations an hour and a half long are, it seems, also still retained.

One of the passages in the report most worthy of attention is the one in which the Board express a well-founded fear that the effects of the "marking" system. Every cadet works under the unceasing pressure produced by the hope of a good "mark" and the dread of a bad one. The cadets are allowed to get their marks every week, and "so to keep account of their own and each other's progress." As those who do best at the school only lay the foundation of an education, there is certainly good reason to fear, as the Board suggest, that a young man accustomed through four long years to regulate and sustain his ambition by such merely external consideration, may find intellectual exertion difficult and repulsive in the absence of the habitual stimulus. Experience and observation, we believe, confirm the misgiving of the Board, as graduates who struggled for marks at college are usually remarkable for their spontaneous intellectual activity and industry.

We have referred to only a few of the interesting points in the report; no doubt it will be extensively read by members of Congress and other citizens concerned for the prosperity of the Academy, and it is, therefore, likely to lead to important reforms.

ONE of the leading Tory journals of England affects to be sadly worried over the growing degeneracy of the American race. Its fears are fast losing, it argues, the preponderance of the true British blood, and going down hill at a correspondingly rapid rate. According to its calculations, the original English element in our composition is now but forty-six one-hundredths, the remaining fifty-four one-hundredths being a mongrel admixture of Irish, German, French, Spanish, and African ingredients. Hence we are sinking altogether below par, and, in its opinion, must inevitably continue to deteriorate. It is very sad, no doubt,—that is to say, if England be the standard of perfection as respects the human race. Some people, however, are impertinent enough to think that, just as a man who is master of a dozen languages is in that particular more fortunate than he who knows but one—for the reason that he is admitted into a wider range of knowledge and sympathy—so a nation into whose vitality there enters the various constituent elements of universal humanity which are embraced in the above enumeration, possesses advantages of no common order. If England is the center of the solar system there is probably ground for the apprehension in question; but if the whole is greater than a part, its painful concern is wholly gratuitous and unnecessary.

GENERAL AND PARTICULAR.

The Kansas Pacific Railroad Company have offered an excellent example by setting out trees on both sides of their track, and in places which seem available for settlement. No one can doubt that they will be well repaid for their labors in this direction.

A ship load of emigrants from Poland arrived at New York the other day. It is remarked as a singular fact that a large percentage of the males were tailors. This is probably owing to the well known mutual attraction existing between the needle and the pole.

The beach at Long Branch is said to be fast becoming useless for sea bathing, by reason of its coarse, gravelly character, and the wash of the surf; while the beach at Atlantic City, hitherto thought somewhat dangerous from the latter cause, is now pronounced the best and least dangerous for bathing and driving along our coast.

A glib-tongued adventurer, professing to own a gold mine in Oregon, lately bamboozled a party of Boston speculators into following him to San Francisco, where he told them that he had forgotten where the mine was, and they had all better go back. They have all gone back—on the swindler.

A Flag of Honor is to be presented to the police force of New York city on their next parade day, in commemoration of the bravery and discipline shown by them in the riots of 1863 and 1871.

Experiments have lately been made in England to determine the effect of gases and other emanations from chemical works upon contiguous vegetation. The result shows that they are decidedly unfavorable to trees and shrubs, corroding and blighting them in a most destructive manner.

The annual visits of delegations to Washington, the intermarriage with whites and the education of many Indian children of both sexes in Eastern and Western States, have all had a potent tendency to Americanize the Indians of the Cherokee country, and its early organization under the territorial system is confidently looked for.

"Worth makes the man," said Pope. But Worth, the fashionable Paris dressmaker, is supposed to make the woman. He has also made, during the past year, upward of a million dollars for himself.

"Midsummer night" festivals have been introduced into New York by the Germans of that city. To those festivals, in the sultry nights, come the fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, and sweethearts, all bent upon throwing aside the cares of life, and all skilled in the art of cracking the kernel of enjoyment.

The question of the purchase by Chicago of the books and abstracts of title now owned by a private firm, remains unsettled yet, the negotiating parties being so far apart in their views as to price that it is difficult to surmise what will be the result. Meanwhile sales and conveyances are retarded.

The increase of trade between New York and Kingston, Jamaica, and Savanilla, has resulted in the establishment of a new line of first class iron screw steamships for its accommodation. A prominent feature will be its arrangements for carrying fresh fruit between decks, and the owners expect that the line will revolutionize the tropical fruit trade by making quick passages.

There is a great rush of tourists "out West" this season, and the Pacific slope is being interviewed very extensively. Yo Semite, Big Trees, the Geysers, Calistoga, the grand scenery of Kern river and of the coast range from San Luis Obispo to Santa Barbara and Los Angeles, furnish the attractions.

The Canadian Parliamentary elections, especially in the lower provinces, turn almost entirely upon religious differences, and are conducted with no slight degree of bitterness. In one county a candidate charges his rival with being married to a Protestant wife, and a prominent minister of not having his children baptized into the Catholic church and of being himself half Protestant.

Quite a number of Northern people have gone South to get rid of the oppressive heat, for it is a fact that the thermometer does not rise as high in the Southern as in the Northern States.

The drowning season is now at its height. Pretty nearly every prominent exchange reports a case or two, and the addition to the mortality list from this cause has been uncommonly large.

Long Branch has a society newspaper which appears every afternoon. It gives the latest arrivals, decribes toilettes, turn-outs, personal appearances, has all the turf items, and all the gossip of the place.

The word "caucus," which has been used to signify a political wheel within a wheel since 1730, is said to be a corruption of the word "caulkers." These men use a good deal of pitch, and whose toucheth pitch is defiled, as many a caucus manager can testify.

A miniature Dead Sea has been discovered in Nevada. It lies in an oval basin, one hundred and sixty feet below the surface of the plain, the banks shelving down with as much symmetry as if fashioned by art. The water is impregnated with soluble borax, soda and salt to a degree that renders it almost ropy with slime, and so dense that a person can float in it without effort. It has no visible outlet or inlet.

A Nashville lady was the other day saved from being bitten by a mad dog in consequence of her own housedog rushing to her assistance and attacking the rabid beast. The faithful animal was badly bitten in the encounter, and it was found necessary to kill him. It was a case of canine martyrdom.

Sweden, Norway and Denmark have under consideration the adoption of a new coin that shall tally with the one going into force in Germany the present month, which is held to be a closer representation of value than any other coinage system now extant.

Here is an illustration which the coalitionists may use as an argument, when hard pushed. A Kentucky cat, with one kitten, brought a mouse to her offspring the other day for its noonday meal; but the kitten adopted the young stranger for a playmate, and since that time the three have lived on the most amicable terms together.

The proprietor of Lamartine's former residence at Macon has sold, in the last two years, to American travelers, over four thousand quills, with which Lamartine wrote his "Jocelyn." More than one goose there.

It is said that New York merchants have already ordered two millions of the penny postal cards, while orders come from other cities in something like the same proportion. The supposition is that they are to be made a medium of advertising.

Commander Meade, of the United States man-of-war Narragansett, in behalf of the government, has taken possession of Tutuila, one of the Samoan group of Navigator's Islands. There has been an American colony on these islands for some time, and urgent applications have been made to our government for protection and mail facilities.

Lake George is said to be almost monopolized by the English this year, who fish and drink and beat there with quite large yachts. A large number of Britons are also at Cape May—military men and one or two members of Parliament, and others of high social position.

The German government has taken measures to improve the harbors of Hamburg, Bremen and Lubeck, so that vessels of the largest class can enter and depart without delay from inadequate depth of water.

A New York journalist, in ransacking the posthumous papers of his grandfather, an ex-Westchester county official, during last week, stumbled across an unpaid check for $21,000 which the deceased had won in 1801 in a lottery for the encouragement of literature, lotteries being legalized in those days. The fortunate discoverer says it is the best encouragement literature, at least in his person, ever received.

WHO would suppose that an humble brick could impart valuable and important information, even to corroborate the sacred writings? But an Austrian savant has discovered, by means of a microscope, that a contract taken from the pyramid of Dashour, many interesting particulars connected with the life of the ancient Egyptians. The brick itself is made of mud of the Nile, chopped straw and sand, thus confirming what the Bible and Herodotus have handed down to us, as to the Egyptian method of brickmaking. Besides there materials the microscope has brought other things to light—the debris of river shells, of fish, and of insects, seeds of wild and cultivated flowers, corn and barley, the field pea, and the common flax, cultivated probably both for food and textile purposes, and the radish, with many others known to science. There were also manufactured products, such as fragments of tiles and pottery, and even small pieces of string made of flax and sheep's wool. It has been truly said that the antiquities of Egypt "have not only confirmed Scripture history in the most complete manner, but revealed such subtle harmonies of geography, habits, manners, customs and language, as prove that that history must have proceeded from contemporary writers."

THE most recent news in relation to the cotton crop is cheering. A full average crop is anticipated in Texas, a full yield in Tennessee, Alabama, Florida and North Carolina, a fair yield in Georgia; and with a favorable and late fall, a very large crop in Texas; no more than an average in Arkansas, a large yield in Tennessee, Alabama and Florida, a full yield in North and South Carolina, a full crop in Georgia, a full average in Mississippi, and an average in Louisiana.

The total number of office holders, national, State and municipal, with their clerks and employees, including therein the officers of the army and navy of the United States, is 70,198.

PERSONAL.

Foreign notables seem to take to Newport more than to any other of our summer resorts. At present the Austrian and Spanish Ministers, the French Representative, the Marquis de Nosilles, and his beautiful and attractive wife, the Swedish Minister, Count Arnim, of the German Legation, Count Cesti, Count Arco, Lady Thornton, the English Ambassador's wife and daughters, Col. Jerome Bonaparte and wife, and other titled dignitaries, have their rooms or residences there.

Joaquin Miller is at Niagara Falls. He is attracting attention by riding out daily in full Mexican dress, with the sombrero hat. The saddle used by him cost $500, and is hung with Mexican dollars. His poney is both fleet and small, and he is enjoying the curiosity he arouses every time he makes his appearance.

Miss Ransom, of Cleveland, Ohio, who painted the first picture ever bought by the government of a woman, has just finished a superb, full-length portrait of Gen. Thomas, which is spoken of in the highest terms by the critics.

One of the noticeable men at the Baltimore Convention was Wm. M. Gwin, Duke of Sonora. A good many people are under the impression that Gwin's dukedom is entirely mythical, but such is not the fact. His patent of nobility was issued by Maximilian, who "empowered him to execute certain functions which but for the egotism of Maximilian would have been consummated." The conditions were that Gwin should introduce an American colony in Sonora, and in other ways aid in the establishment of the empire in Mexico, and thus carry out Napoleon's favorite scheme of building up a power to the south of the republic that should be a constant menace to our republican institutions.

Next month is to witness a general reunion of the main bankers of the Rothschild family on the banks of the Maine at Frankfort.

Miss Ada Greeley is reported to be the head of her father's farm at Chappaqua. It would be a neat tribute to his favorite panacea for all the ills that poor young men are subject to, if he were to change the name from Chappaqua to Ida hoe. The boys would be more apt to take his advice to "go West" if he were to put it, "Go and see Ida hoe!"

Bret Harte's engagement with Osgood & Co., of Boston, is ended, and he is now writing promiscuously.

An American general was married recently to a French lady; neither knowing a syllable of the other's language, an "interpreter" has accompanied them on their wedding tour. The bridegroom, having lost his nose in the recession war, now wears a silver one.

J. T. Shannon, for many years leader of the community of Shakers in South Union, Ky., has withdrawn from the community and married a wife, who was also formerly a member of the society.

About Passports—Information for Persons Going Abroad.

A passport is a letter directed to all whom it may concern, written by the Secretary of State, certifying that the bearer is an American citizen, and requesting that he may be respected accordingly. Without this passport a person may be liable to arrest or imprisonment upon suspicion by any of the European governments, as he would have nothing to prove that he was an American and not a conspirator or spy. If any of our readers wish to avoid the annoyance of arrest or police surveillance we strongly advise them to procure their passports before setting out for Europe. Passports are procured of the Secretary of State, Washington, on application. In order to procure a passport, however, the applicant—and all males or females over age belonging to a party or family, excepting a wife, are counted as applicants—must make an affidavit, attested by one other citizen and a notary public, that he is an American citizen, and upon the receipt of the affidavit he will receive the passport from the State Department. He may leave the transmission of the document to general arrangement of the matter in the hands of the notary. The oath of allegiance is demanded in all cases, and a naturalized citizen must transmit certificate of naturalization for inspection. No naturalized citizen of the United States is liable to military service abroad unless he has deserted from the army or navy of his native country. Naturalization in a foreign country is generally looked upon in throughout Europe as alienating a person from the penalties of the military laws of his native land. In Turkey and Russia, however, no person can emigrate without the consent of the Sultan or Czar, and any person doing so, and then returning to his native land is, in spite of foreign naturalization, liable to the knout which is acknowledged without jealousy alike by sovereign and by people here.

Gathering Sponges.

The work of procuring sponges, as pursued at Tunis, requires great skill on the part of the sponge fishers, who are principally Greeks, Sicilians and Arabs. Of these the Greeks are the most expert in their vocation. The sponge fishery is most actively carried on during the months of December, January and February, as at other seasons the places where the sponges exist are overgrown with sea weeds. The storms during November and December destroy and sweep away the thick marine vegetation and leave the sponges exposed to view. They are obtained by spearing, diving with or without the assistance of an apparatus, and by dredging with a machine similar to an oyster dredge. It is by spearing the sponges that the greatest dexterity is shown. The spears used by the Greeks are shorter than those employed by the Arabs, but they manage them with such adroitness as sometimes to reach sponges covered by sixty feet of water. The British Vice-Consul at Tunis reports that these Greeks hold in their hands three or four spears, and dart them with such precision, one after the other, that before the first has time to disappear under the surface, the other strikes its upper extremity, and thus gives it additional impetus to reach the sponge aimed at. Whenever a sponge is removed a new one is produced within a year to take its place. The finest sponges are found in the Mediterranean, the chief market being Smyrna. Coarse sponges are prized in great numbers in the waters of the Bahamas, and form an important article of export from those islands. A very good article of sponge is found on the coast of Florida, where the supply is so great that, if the fisheries were actively prosecuted it would suffice for the consumption of the United States.

It seems that we must still ask ourselves the question, "Is our civilization a failure?" The interesting company of Chinamen who make shoes at North Adams have now inhabited that charming village a sufficient number of moons to warrant them in expressing an opinion of the people among whom they reside, and who, it is but fair to remark, are quite an average—not to say a pattern—New England community. Happening among the Celestials the other day was a gentleman who found himself able to converse with them in a native dialect. One of them was asked, we are told, whether he was not going to marry a Yankee wife and become a family man and a citizen of North Adams? The attention of feminine readers is especially invited to the reply of the unprejudiced observer of Yankee life and institutions:

No; in the first place I am not smart enough, and in the next place I could buy my dresses enough to satisfy the demands of fashion." The Chinaman said, further, that the habit of Chinese women in procuring the dimensions of the feet was not half as ridiculous as the practice of American ladies in lacing their waists until their hearts found refuge in their thumbs.

Our Oriental visitor and critic gets on capitally as a mechanic, but when it comes to matrimony he is disheartened.—*Boston Advertiser.*

THE monument in memory of Prince Albert the Good has been completed and formally unveiled by Queen Victoria. The remarkable features of the work are the four groups at the corners representing Asia, Africa, America and Europe. Of the way in which our own country is honored, the London *Standard* says: "America, by John Bell, whose many careful and beautiful works have already raised him to the highest position among modern sculptors, is the finest of all the groups in our own, as well as in general estimation. His excellence is particularly manifested in the composition and in the delicacy of the sentiment, as well as in the distinctness with which the story it tells is expressed. The representative figure of America, riding on the wild and shaggy bison, is a fine and spirited conception, whilst the frank admission of the United States leading the way in the affairs of the Western continent, whilst Canada, with true loyalty, still presses the rose of England to her breast, displays a most prominent and estimable knowledged without jealousy alike by sovereign and by people here."

The latest English mails bring the report of the first day's sitting of the International Prison Congress in London. All the European governments, with the exception of Portugal, were represented on the opening day. America, both North and South, was also well represented. Earl Carnarvon, in his opening speech, welcomed the delegates, but expressed his regret that the British government when applied to refused to aid financially the scheme of reform contemplated. The warm welcome and hospitality to the foreigners who had gathered together for so worthy a purpose outweighed the other consideration, and there is no room to doubt that the Congress, even without British support, will accomplish all its promoters intended it should.

ABOUT three months ago an organization was effected to establish a boot and shoe manufactory in Scranton, and steps were taken for the formation of a company. The stock was quickly subscribed, and the following Board of Directors was elected: Messrs. James Blair, T. F. Hunt, C. D. Breck, J. A. Price, George Fisher, Wm. Matthews and E. F. Ayres. The present capital is fixed at $40,000. The Board of Directors selected Mr. T. F. Hunt as President, and Mr. George Fisher as Treasurer, two well known and enterprising citizens of Scranton. Mr. E. F. Ayres, of Connecticut, was selected by the Board as superintendent. This gentleman is possessed of great skill and experience in this department of industry, and his presence at Scranton is regarded as a matter of congratulation by the projectors of this enterprise. The works are now in operation, about thirty-five hands, men, women and boys being employed.

THE GREELEY-TAMMANY COALITION.

Facts for Republicans and Honest Men in General to Consider.

[From the New York Times.]

It is only necessary to glance at the composition of the Greeley party in the State, and especially in this city, to see that the old Tammany gang is engaged with it and controls it. Do any of our readers—Democrats or Republicans, Liberals or Conservatives—suppose that the Tammany men join the Greeley party for nothing? In some cases they are receiving their pay in advance. For instance, Tweed and Sweeny would have been brought to trial before an honest and impartial Judge by this time had not the bill which provided for this end been vetoed by Hoffman, and its subsequent passage prevented by the Greeley Republicans. Or another instance—Brennan, the Sheriff, is continually defended by the Greeley organ against our exposures, though those exposures are explicit, based on complete official evidence, and absolutely accurate. And in general, the Tammany gang is receiving proofs of the fidelity of the Greeley party to its interests by the careful avoidance of all offense on the part of the latter to the former, in speech or writing, and by the active warfare carried on in the *Tribune* against the most effective enemies of the ring.

The Tammany men make no secret of their appreciation of the devotion of the Greeleyites to their cause. Brennan clubs, Shandley clubs, Mike Norton clubs, and the central organization of the order, the Americus Club, are being constantly formed or revived in the interest of Greeley. In the broadest sense of the inscription on the banner in the City Hall Park on the 11th of June, "Tammany responds to the nomination of Horace Greeley by the Democratic National Convention." In point of fact, it would have been more correct to have said that "the Democratic National Convention, in the nomination of Horace Greeley, responds to Tammany." The nomination was a part of the Tammany plot.

But it was not the whole. That plot contemplates the fastening of Tammany leeches on every part of the Treasury of the United States. It contemplates the placing of unscrupulous hacks like Hoffman and Fenton in the Cabinet, with swindlers like Sweeny and Brennan engaged in the collection of taxes, while the old system of plunder and peculation is to be re-established in our city, for the benefit of other Tammany aspirants, sprung up to take the places of the promoted leaders.

In this connection, the following from a New York letter, is interesting:

If the Republicans through the country who are disposed to look with favor upon the Greeley-Brown ticket could but spend an hour in the Tammany haunts here, they would be speedily cured of their "Liberalism." To-day every one of "Boss" Tweed's resorts is being adorned with Greeley and Brown flags, and all the old ring elements, which were crushed by last fall's uprising, are being warmed into fresh life. During the fall campaign, too, the boss thief who stole his millions down to the hod-carrier who was paid out of the city treasury to keep up the furnace fires in the Tammany Blossom Club. This to me is the most saddening, sickening of all this Greeley craze; to see these Tammany thieves and wreckers of every description, whom we thought shoved under last fall, now all up and alive and shouting themselves hoarse for Horace Greeley. To them this political combination, this bargain with Greeley, means resurrection and salvation. Last fall Governor Hoffman was politically dead. To-day he leads the Tammany hosts for Greeley, and aspires to additional political preferment. Last autumn he decided to retire from political life and here is his law practice. The Greeley coalition lifted the cloud which had settled down on his prospects and he decides to remain in the political arena; and what is true of him is true of all his corrupt associates in the State. The revelations of fraud and robbery of last year prostrated the Democratic party, as it then seemed, beyond all hope of recovery. Now Horace Greeley lends his name and influence to rescue it from the cesspit and put it on its legs again.

The Vital Drain.

It is necessary to the health of the body that its exhausted and refused particles should be carried off by the excretory organs, and it is equally necessary that the waste matter thus expelled should be replaced by new elements derived from digested and assimilated food. It is evident, therefore, that good digestion and perfect assimilation are essential to bodily vigor; and it is because Hostetter's Stomach Bitters powerfully assist these processes, that it is regarded by the strongest classes, whose occupations are founded on observation, as the only absolute specific for dyspepsia and its attendant ills, at present known. When the system, either from constitutional causes, overwork, excess, anxiety, or actual disease, is in an unnaturally relaxed condition, something more than its exhausted particles passes through the pores. Vitality leaks through these vestages. Elements which should remain in the blood are carried off, evolved, and that fluid becomes then watery and incapable of removing the solids of the body as fast as they decay. The consequences are emaciation, debility, nervousness, loss of spirits and a general, or perhaps a rapid, decline of all powers of life. It is in cases like this that the restorative properties of Hostetter's Bitters are most conspicuous. The first two or three doses sometimes produce a change in the feelings and aspect of the invalid that is perfectly astonishing, and by a persevering use of this superlative vegetable tonic and alterative, the vital drain is sure to be arrested, the strength reinstated, the flesh restored, the constitution reinforced, and the brain relieved of the cloud that obscured it.

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Brownsville, July 1-1, 1872.

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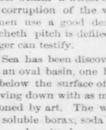

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

THURSDAY EVENING, July 18, 1872.

We give below a comparative statement showing the condition of the reserves of each of the three classes of National Banks on June 10, 1872, and on the same date one year ago:

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	June 10, 1872.	June 10, 1871.
Number of banks	1,696	1,497
Total liabilities requiring reserve	$490,608,432	$443,186,103
Reserve required (25 p. ct.)	122,652,108	110,796,576
Reserve held	101,821,657	101,706,605
Per centage of reserve	20.8	22.9
Specie	1,800,232	2,032,371
Legal tenders	41,495,581	39,481,550
Three per ct. certificates	3,400,000	1,735,000
Due from reserve agents	57,339,844	59,307,684
CITIES OF REDEMPTION.		
Number of banks	175	171
Total liabilities requiring reserve	$273,092,451	$261,561,114
Reserve required (25 p. ct.)	68,273,112	65,390,278
Reserve held	78,659,783	82,669,910
Per centage of reserve	28.8	31.6
Specie	9,393,625	2,290,553
Legal tenders	36,820,108	38,382,636
Clearing house certificates	5,495,000	1,735,000
Due from reserve agents	26,950,950	40,261,721
Due from redeeming agents	39,833,420	33,961,561
NEW YORK CITY.		
Number of banks	51	54
Total liabilities requiring reserve	$228,186,173	$208,112,787
Reserve required (25 p. ct.)	56,240,543	52,028,196
Reserve held	65,585,934	76,613,294
Per centage of reserve	28.7	36.8
Specie	18,991,993	11,410,554
Legal tenders	41,118,641	43,551,836
Clearing house certificates	8,595,000	17,515,000
Due from reserve agents	575,000	4,155,000

In commenting on the above statement the New York *Bulletin* calls attention to the fact that the banks required to hold 25 per cent. of their liabilities in reserve increased their liabilities during the year $47,500,000, while their reserve has not been materially changed, and the percentage of reserve is now 20.8 against 22.9 in 1871. They hold three millions dollars more greenbacks, but have twelve hundred thousand dollars less in three per cents., and one million and a half less with their redemption agencies; so that the banks outside of the fourteen cities of the first class are less able to meet the demands of the fall trade and to move the western crops which will soon be on us, than they were a year ago.

The same state of things is seen in the statement of the city banks, exclusive of New York; for while last year they held a reserve of 31.6 per cent., it is down to 28.8 this year. With liabilities increased $11,-000,000, their reserve has fallen $4,000 000. The above gives a fair statement of the average condition of the money market throughout the country, and the outlook for the active season of trade in the autumn can be calculated to incite cautious management in matters of money, as we will probably have a remarkably strong demand for money, with a reduced supply to meet at demand, and a period of severe stringency will no doubt be experienced.

—Messrs. Ira B. McVay & Co. report the following quotations of Government bonds in New York to-day, as furnished them by Jay Cooke & Co., their correspondents:

	Morning.	Noon.	Evening.
U. S. Bonds of 1881	117¾	117¾	117¾
U. S. Bonds of 1865	115¾	115¾	115¾
U. S. Bonds of 1864	115¾	115¾	115¾
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U. S. Bonds of 1865 (new)	114¾	114¾	114¾
U. S. Bonds of 1867	115¾	115	115
U. S. Bonds of 1868	115¾	115¾	115¾
10-40s	114¾	114¾	114¾
5-20s	114¾	114¾	114¾
Currency 6s	117¾	117¾	117¾

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United States 5-20s of 1862	115¾
United States 5-20s of 1864	115¾
United States 5-20s of 1865	116¾
United States 10-40s	114¾
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1865	114¾
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1867	115¼
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1868	115¼
Pacific Railroad	
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Gold	114½	114¼	114¼	114¼	114¼	114¼
6s of 1881						
5s of 1874						
5s of 1881	115¼	115¼	115¼			
5s of 1885		114¾				
Adams Express						
American Express						
United States Express						
New York Central Scrip	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾
Erie	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
Reading	92¾	92¾	92¾	92¾	92¾	92¾
Michigan Central						
Lake Shore	91¾	91¾	91¾	91¾	91¾	91¾
Illinois Central	112	112	112	112	112	112
Cleveland and Pittsburgh	91¾	91¾	91¾	91¾	91¾	91¾
Chicago and Rock Island	116¾	116¾	116¾	116¾	116¾	116¾
Pacific Mail	38¾	38¾	38¾	38¾	38¾	38¾
Wabash	54	54	54	54	54	54
Wabash preferred	75¾	75¾	75¾	75¾	75¾	75¾
Fort Wayne	97	97	97¼	97	97	97
Toledo and Wabash	44½	44¾	44¾	44¾	44¾	44¾
Chicago and Alton	97	97	97	97	97	97
Chicago and Alton preferred						
Hartford and Erie	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾
Panama	107					
New Jersey Central	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾

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Erie's Central	58¾	Lehigh Valley R. R.	59¼
Penna. and Erie	27	North Penn'a R. R.	51
Lehigh Navigation	48¾	Union Canal	30
Lawrence	45¾	Schuylkill Navigat'n	15
Creek & Allen'y R.	31	Reading	58½

CRACKER MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, THURSDAY, July 18, 1872.

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Boston crackers	9½c	Oyster crackers	9 c
Boston crackers	9½c	Lemon crackers	13c
Pilot crackers	9 c	Soda crackers	9½c
Sugar crackers	21½c	Sugar cra kers	10½c
Butter crackers	13 c	Water crackers	7½c
Family crackers	13½c	Wine crackers	10½c
Ginger cakes	13 c	Lemon jumbles	14½
Ginger snaps	10½c	Sugar jumbles	14½
Milk crackers	8 c	Spiced jumbles	13½
Sponge cakes	13½c		

TOBACCO MARKET.

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Unchanged are the ruling jobbers' prices manufactures, of course, giving a discount for large lots, as follows:

Black Rope	60@65
Natural Leaf	60@65
Black Twist	60@65
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	8 c	Spiced jumbles	13½
Sponge cakes	13½c		

TOBACCO MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, THURSDAY, July 18, 1872.

Unchanged are the ruling jobbers' prices manufactures, of course, giving a discount for large lots, as follows:

Black Rope	60@65
Natural Leaf	60@65
Black Twist	60@65
Solace Navy	60@65
Diamond do	60@65

PITTSBURGH LIVE STOCK MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, WEDNESDAY EVENING, July 17, 1872.

Arrivals.

Following are the arrivals of stock for each day of the week ending this evening:

	Cattle. No. head.	Hogs. No. head.	Sheep. No. head.	Horses. No. head.
Thursday, July 11th	1,240	3,000	500	30
Friday, July 12	1,200	2,800	200	25
Saturday, July 13th	350	1,000	700	...
Sunday, July 14th	1,200	500	300	30
Monday, July 15th	1,500	2,300	400	24
Tuesday, July 16th	1,200	600	4,000	15
Wednesday, July 17th			4,000	15
Total for week	900	700	1,000	17
Total for week	6,690	10,900	11,100	156
Up to noon Wednesday	6,723	12,200	14,517	140

Shipments.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.
Total shipments for the week	6,615	12,200	14,500	140

RATES OF FREIGHT.

Following are the rates of freight on live stock as at present in force to and from Chicago:

	Cattle. Per 100 lbs.	Hogs. Per 100 lbs.	Sheep. Per cwt.
Pittsburgh to Chicago	75c.	75c.	50c.
Crestline to Pittsburgh	30c	30c	30c
Cincinnati to Pittsburgh	30c	30c	30c
Fort Wayne to Pittsburgh	42c	42c	30c
St. Louis to Pittsburgh (special rate)	...	...	$71 per car
Chicago to Pittsburgh	90c	90c	30c

CATTLE. HOGS. SHEEP.

	Per 100 lbs.	Per 100 lbs.	Per cwt.
Pittsburgh to Harrisburg	22½c	37½c	$5 00
Pittsburgh to Lancaster	27½c	37½c	5 00
Pittsburgh to Philadelphia	32½c	37½c	5 00
Pittsburgh to Baltimore	27½c	37½c	5 00
Pittsburgh to New York	32½c	37½c	6 00

Any change in the above rates will be promptly noted.

Cattle.

At the time of closing our last report, trade was moderately active on all grades, though good shipping steers were in the best demand. A good many common steers were in Allegheny, and they were principally common cattle. Their presence helped the market and enabled dealers to dispose of common stock which would otherwise have been left on their hands. The offerings of really good to prime shipping cattle were not heavy, and these sold for fair prices considering the time of year. Sales were made as high as $6 85 per cwt. though for good stock ranging generally from $6 50 to $6 75. By the state of prices it will be seen at once that the decline on good cattle has not been one-half that on common, and that while good cattle are selling at $6 75 prices did not go over 7½c, and as the same kind of stock now sells for about 6¼c, those interested can see the decline will not compare with that or common cattle. Common cattle have been unusually plenty for a fag weeks past, and as the loss in weight, and trouble to sell them is considerable, dealers are averse to handling them while they can get good cattle for anything like fair prices. The market closed on Friday with stock pretty well sold out. Some few loads were shipped east, the owners refusing to sell them here at the prices offered. This week the receipts were light. On Sunday running to 600 head, a full proportion of which were through stock.

On Monday and Tuesday the receipts were fair of through cattle, and a little light of stock intended for sale here. There was scarcely anything done, as buyers had not returned from the East. On Tuesday a fair number of country buyers put in an appearance, and taking hold purchased liberally of common cattle, though at low figures. Prices on Tuesday for common cattle ruled about the same as on Monday, though there was an improvement in even the offerings of the last two or three weeks, and the feeling is a shade better. To-day trade ruled moderately active and quite a number of cattle changed hands at prices about the same as last week. Dealers tried to advance prices but failed. Reports from down country is to the effect that of good favorable character, and buyers seem t determined to not pay any advance. The market, however, is firmer, and if this writing is made as if it would remain so the balance of the week.

Prices.

Following are the current prices: Extra, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs steers, $6 75 to $6 85; prime 1,300 lbs steers, $6 25 to $6 50; good 1,200 lbs steers, $6 00 to $6 25; fair 1,100 lbs steers, $5 50 to $5 75; fair 1,000 lbs steers, $5 00 to $5 25; common stock cattle, $3 50 to $4 25; stock ers $2 50 to $3 50; bulls $2 25 to $3 00; cows and heifers, $3 00 to $5 00; Texas steers, $3 25 to $5 00.

Hogs.

The receipts of hogs this week have been light, and within the last two days they have fallen off considerably. The market has ruled moderately firm and steady. On Monday a pretty good trade was had, but on Tuesday it was rather dull. To-day there has been an advance of strong 10c per hundred lbs. The advance is caused by a firm demand and light receipts, and unless offerings come more freely it would not surprise us to see prices go higher. The slaughter houses at Communipaw are closed by an injunction issued at the instance of the New York health board, and buyers of hogs for New York have suspended operations until the matter is settled. On this account the number of New York buyers here to-day is fewer by two than last week. The market up to yesterday ruled a little slow, though prices were no lower. To-day the feeling improved and this afternoon trade ruled brisk. Prices, however, were not quotably higher, but sales a good deal easier to make. The market closes this evening with everything pretty well sold out. Following are the closing rates of to-day: Extra, 90 lbs sheep, fine wool, $5 50; prime, 85 lbs sheep, fine wool, $5 00 to $5 25; fair, 80 lbs sheep, fine wool, $4 75 to $5 00; fair, 75 lbs sheep, fine wool, $4 00 to $4 50; common, $3 50 to $4 00.

Cattle Sales.

SMITH, WATSON & BRIGGS SOLD

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
19	40,900	6 @ 54	19	41,230	6 60
17	39,000	5 65	15	37,160	5 75
1	1,420	4 00	1	1,300	3 75
18	40,410	5 75	16	39,880	5 65
4	4,140	5 00	4	3,960	5 00
17	16,540	5 00	16	16,280	6 00
17	16,960	6 00	17	17,050	6 10

HAZLEWOOD & BLACKSTOCK SOLD

34	42,360	6 @ 17	34	42,730	5 85
1	1,200	4 60	1	1,020	3 50
33	per head	$296 00	33	21,880	6 20
14	19,850	5 85	53	43,550	6 35
18	21,230	5 50	18	21,010	4 50
1	1,060	5 00	1	840	2 50
17	17,560	5 50	17	19,960	5 75
18	17,340	5 50	2	1,880	4 00
1	1,000	4 00	18	17,760	5 75
35	38,980	6 12½	1	1,160	4 00
1	1,000	4 00	17	1,980	6 00
11	12,260	6 75	16	64,640	6 90
16	18,000	6 75	16	18,000	6 90
5	4,450	4 00	1	1,000	4 00

SADLER, HAVENS & CO SOLD

1	760	5 25	1	1,220	3 00
1	1,000	5 00	1	720	2 50
23	11,120	5 00	20	per head	$44 00
2	1 yr lambs	$27 00	2	2 yr lambs	4 75
2	2,360	6 10	1	2,950	5 25
2	2,440	5 00	1	900	4 00
2	2,020	5 50	7	6,850	4 75
2	1,110	6 00	2	2,340	6 00
1	1,100	6 10	4	3,210	6 25
1	1,000	6 00	4	3,760	6 00
19	20,850	6 00	2	3,260	6 25
1	1,500	6 00	2	1,720	6 00
1	12,750	5 87	14	18,750	6 75
1	12,000	5 75	13	16,000	6 50
1	1,000	5 00	13	10,840	5 75
1	1,120	5 00	1	1,000	4 00
51	58,700	6 87	34	40,300	5 75
1	20,000	6 25	17	20,000	6 00

BERGES, HUFF & CO. SOLD

1	1,420	6 50	1	1,470	3 50
16	22,630	5 00	2	1,920	3 00
1	1,000	4 00	19	20,580	6 00
1	1,000	4 00	10	10,760	5 25
1	1,000	4 00	1	1,200	3 00
10	10,980	5 50	1	1,070	4 00
48	5,280	4 40	2	2,000	5 00
1	1,000	4 00	1	1,000	4

THE VERY LATEST.

POLITICAL.

Senator Fenton Speaks—He Confines Himself to Financial Matters.

ALBANY, July 18.—Tweedle Hall was well filled to-night to hear Senator Fenton on our national finances. Ex-Senator Ira Harris was elected President of the meeting. DR. Swinburn, however, stated that owing to illness Mr. Harris was detained at home, though he heartily sympathized with the movement. Ex-State Senator A. J. Colvin was then called on to preside, and a large number of Vice Presidents and Secretaries were appointed. Colvin, on taking the chair, briefly addressed the meeting, indorsing and sustaining the movement of the Liberal Republicans and the union of the Democrats with them. Senator Fenton was then loudly called for, and came forward amid enthusiastic cheering. He commenced by saying his speech would relate wholly to financial questions of a public character. He then proceeded to discuss the principles of debt and taxation, and said the truth was the administration was at fault, and on it must largely rest the responsibility of our continued unsound monetary condition. It had had no financial policy except to collect taxes under the laws of Congress, hoard gold, blockade Wall street and pay the debt. He then detailed the action of the government for ten years past, and said the men at the helm of State, or at the helm of our national finances, neither tell us what plan should be adopted nor what principle should guide us. We are, said he, clearly without a governmental guide now. The speaker then at length detailed the baneful effects of a superabundancy of paper money, and pointed to history to show how much paper could be carried by a certain amount of gold. One dollar in specie in banks, he said, for every three dollars paper in circulation is a necessary condition for public confidence and financial security; but in our case we have five dollars of paper for every dollar of gold. He referred to the great credit given General Grant and his administration for paying so much of the public debt, and said that all the credit belonged to the people, who, through their representatives in Congress, suffered themselves to be taxed to raise the money. He discussed this point at much length, and showed that during the administration of Andrew Johnson more was paid than has been paid since. The truth is, he said, we have had little in the past, as a rule in administration, equal to the present in the careless and lavish manner of handling and using the public money. The speech was frequently applauded.

Unprecedented Demonstration in a New Haven, Conn., Prominent Democrats Pronounce for Grant.

NEW HAVEN, June 18.—One of the largest political meetings ever held in the State was held this evening in this city. Some ten thousand persons assembled on the green to ratify the nomination of Grant and Wilson. There was music, fireworks and salutes. The meeting was presided over by Governor Jewell and addresses were made by Senator Buckingham, Hon. Thomas A. Bond, Hon. H. L. Dawes, of Massachusetts, and Representatives Kellogg, Strong and Starkweather. The utmost enthusiasm prevailed. Bond's speech attracted great attention, inasmuch as he was acted with the Democratic party for years, has been a Democratic member of the State Senate and a candidate of the Democracy for Lieutenant Governor. He took the ground that the Democratic party had sold out, and that between Grant and Greeley he must choose Grant as being much the safer man. Hon. Charles Atwater, late candidate of the Democracy for Lieutenant Governor, was one of the Vice Presidents of the meeting, he taking the same ground as Mr. Bond.

Secretary Boutwell at Charlotte, N. C.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 18.—Secretary Boutwell spoke in the Court House here to-day in support of the administration and with reference to finances.

Tammany Ratifies Greeley's Nomination.

NEW YORK, July 18.—The Tammany General Committee to-night ratified the nomination of Greeley and Brown, and appointed a committee to arrange for a mass ratification meeting.

Part of the Bargain, of Course.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 18.—The Executive Committee of the Liberal Republicans of this State has issued a circular instructing the party to indorse and support the Democratic and Conservative State ticket, headed by Judge Merriman.

"Liberal" Meeting at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 18.—The first Liberal Republican demonstration of the campaign in this city was held to-night in the Academy of Music. Speeches were made by Hon. G. W. Julian, J. W. Evans and Col McLean.

Coalition Congressional Nomination.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., July 18.—Judge Horace P. Biddle, of Logansport, was nominated for Congress by the Democratic and Liberal Republican conventions of the Ninth district at Kokomo to-day.

Liberals Republicans Preparing for the Campaign.

CHICAGO, July 18.—The Republican State Central Committee, together with the Republican candidates for State offices and a number of influential members of the party from various parts of the State, met here to-day to arrange the plan of the campaign in the State. The Republican demonstration here to-morrow night, it is anticipated, will be a grand affair.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, July 18, 1872.

THE NEW FRENCH MINISTER.

Marquis de Noailles, the new French Minister, arrived this evening with his family in the St. Laurent, and is stopping at the Brevoort House. He was met down the bay by Deputy Collector Des Angues and the French consuls at this port, and at quarantine was conveyed to the city by the revenue cutter General Grant. He intends leaving his family in Newport before proceeding to Washington.

The Rain Storm—Damages Greater than Supposed.

WHEELING, W. VA., July 18.—The continued heavy rains of last night and to-day have caused more damage to property than was at first supposed. Jefferson street is washed out from Main street to the river to a depth of from twenty-five to forty feet. Cellars were flooded and large amounts of goods destroyed. The damage in the country adjacent is equal to that in the city. Fences were carried away and great quantities of grain destroyed and damaged. The flood carried away the trestling from under two bridges on the Hempfield Railroad, and passengers have to be transferred at the breaks. The damage will be repaired to-morrow, as soon as the water subsides. The river here is ten feet two inches, and rising very fast.

Kicked to Death By a Horse.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

LOUDONVILLE, OHIO, July 18, 1872.

John V. Jefferies, residing four miles from here, was killed last evening by being kicked by a horse. He was trampled in a frightful manner. Mr. Jefferies was about fifty years of age, and one of our wealthiest and most influential citizens.

NEWS SUMMARY.

BY TELEGRAPH.

The French Garde Republicaine band gives a concert in Cincinnati next Monday night.

Charles Phillis, of Madison county, was nominated a Republican elector for Ohio at Urbana yesterday.

The stage between Dallas and Canon City, Oregon, was robbed by three highwaymen on Wednesday. From twelve to fifteen thousand dollars was taken from the mails.

The Norwegians in Chicago yesterday celebrated the one thousandth anniversary of Norway nationality by a procession in the morning, a mass meeting with speeches, music and poetry at Haes Park in the afternoon, and a grand banquet in the evening.

The black base ball club of New Orleans, the Lone Star, was beaten at Evansville, Ind., yesterday by the Riversides, the score standing 20 to 5.

Culture of Japanese Silk Worms.

Mr. Robert Bunker, of this city, has received from Japan some eggs of the *Bombyx* and *Yama Mai*, the two Japanese silk worms. These eggs were received about two months ago, were hatched almost immediately, and the worms are already nearly full grown and are beginning to spin their cocoons. Of twenty-two eggs received, nineteen were hatched, and they altogether promise to make a considerable amount of silk. The Japanese silk worm does not feed on the mulberry, but on common oak leaves, which it devours with great voracity. It is about twice the size of the common mulberry silk worm, and its cocoon is of proportionate size. This is the worm which spins the Japanese silk, which is stronger and more durable than the common kind, and can be sold at greatly reduced prices. Mr. Bunker thinks it can be afforded as cheaply as linen. The Japanese silk bears washing, and will, when it becomes as cheap as it should, attain great popularity.

The worms are about two and one-half inches long when fully grown, of a pale green color, and are about the size and shape of the common tomato worm. They are entirely harmless, as are all worms of this class, though squirming in a most disgusting manner when touched. This is because the moisture of the finger closes their delicate pores and makes them very uncomfortable. Much handling would speedily make them sick. Silk growers are accustomed to touch them only with a bit of feather. The worm grows very rapidly after the first week, and is very voracious, especially after its moultings, which occur five or six times in its short life of less than three months. Many of these eggs have been sent to entomologists and amateurs, and the worms will be largely experimented with this season. It is a singular fact that the eggs will hatch but except in the spring and early summer. They will endure any amount of cold weather, being uninjured when the thermometer goes down to forty degrees below zero. It is hoped that their culture may be made profitable in this country. As they eat any kind of oak leaves with avidity, these trees can be made to produce a valuable crop when found growing wild. The high price of labor is the only objection to their introduction here; but as the common silk worm is made profitable in California, it is hoped that the Japanese variety may meet a similar success.—*Rochester Express.*

TALE OF A CITY.

Interesting Facts Concerning New York.

Mayor Hall's message, which was laid before the Common Council of New York, states that the city debt is not over $80,000,000, after deducting the sinking fund, the money in the treasury, and taxes to be collected this year, or $127,000,000 without these items. The rate this year will be $2 78, and produce $20,437,321, besides $300,000 for the streets. The aggregate valuations of real and personal estate for 1872 amount to $1,104,098,087, and for 1871 to $1,076,253,633, an increase for the current year of $27,844,434. The assessments of personal estate in the city and county of New York were increased over $83,000,000 in six years. The personal assessments during the same period in the rest of the State were diminished $17,000,000. The aggregate of mortgages upon real estate amounts to over $400,000,000. The liabilities of the department of parks in November last, when the new administration assumed power, amounted to $1,620,037 70, and bills due and overdue to $448,853 03, and its bank account was overdrawn $84,871 35. The number received at the several institutions under the charge of the Commissioners of Charities in 1871 was 27,577. At the Labor Bureau employment was obtained for 43,058 persons. To the city prison there were committed 44,881 persons, of whom 21,183 were transferred to the work house and 23,698 to the penitentiary. Last year 19,157 persons were relieved by the Superintendent of the Out-door Poor. The Department of Buildings reports the estimated cost of new buildings at $37,580,016, and of alterations and repairs to buildings at $8,251,981, a total of $41,932,977. The number of buildings completed was 2,036, and the number commenced, 2,333. Thereare now 29,060 tenement houses in the city. The expenses of the Department of Public Instruction for 1862 are fixed at $3,017,365. The appropriation is $125,000. The number of teachers in December, 1871, was 2,735; number of registered pupils, 101,883. The expenses of the fire department for 1871 have been $1,089,029 81.

Russian Traveling, Living and Drinking.

Russian traveling need have no terrors for the nobility and gentry of England, nor even for the clergy, since there is complete religious toleration. Banish all remembrances of your youthful visions, at the circus, of that tremendous bare-backed rider, the "Courier of St. Petersburg." Things are differently managed in real life—at least in getting thus far up country. You have a perfectly comfortable sleeping carriage on the railway from St. Petersburg to Moscow and excellent refreshment-rooms at the principal stations. More, they stop long enough to let you make your meal in peace, and ring many warning bells before actually leaving any one behind. There are interpreters from the hotels waiting at the Moscow station, so that a foreign tourist need not, save to air his Russian, bargain with the *izvostchiks* in their native tongue. As to the general price of living in Russia, it is undoubtedly high. A rouble, at present about 75c., goes about as far as a shilling with us. But in the matter of railway tickets and railway refreshment-rooms, the prices are moderate. First-class fare is about 1½d. per mile, and a decently good meal on the way costs one rouble—not counting liquor. Temperance men are the very people to come here for many reasons. First, they will find in *kvas* a mild and pleasant summer drink; secondly, there is always splendid tea to be had in Russia at a small cost; and, thirdly, there are examples enough of the evils of drunkenness to be seen at every turn to brace up temperance men to new endurance. How the Russians, who drink such quarts and quarts of tea, can stow away anything else, I do not understand. Their liquors, too, are not, as a rule, very potent—not, at least, more potent than those only too familiar in England. They have some *vodka*, however, which would go a very long way. Let the traveler beware of taking too bold a pull at it. An American friend of mine, after such a pull, remarked with a twinge of agony, that it was like a torchlight procession going down his throat.—*Moscow Letter.*

RIVER REPORT.

War Department, Signal Service, U. S. A., Division of Telegrams and Reports for the Benefit of Commerce.

July 18, 1872, 9 P. M.

Stations.	Depth.	*Rise. Feet.	Inch.	*Fall. Feet.	Inch.
St. Paul	....	0	0	0	0
Fort Benton	....	0	0	0	0
Omaha	11.8	0	1	0	0
Davenport	4.10	0	7	0	0
Leavenworth	....	0	0	0	0
Keokuk	4.6	0	0	0	0
Quincy, Ill	3.2	0	1	0	0
St. Louis, Mo	17.6	0	0	0	0
Pittsburgh, Pa	9.2	1	11	0	0
Cincinnati, Ohio	10.1	0	1	0	0
Louisville, Ky	5.6	1	4	0	0
Memphis, Tenn	13.6	0	0	0	1
Vicksburg, Miss	18.5	0	0	0	1
Shreveport, La	....	0	0	0	0
Nashville, Tenn	3.6	0	0	0	7
New Orleans, La	....	0	0	0	0

†No report yesterday.
*Rise and fall in last twenty-four hours.
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ADDITIONAL RIVER DISPATCHES.

Greensboro, Pa.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

GREENSBORO, PA., July 18, 1872.

Stage of water, with twelve feet of water in the channel. Weather cloudy: thermometer 70 at 7 P. M.

G.

Brownsville, Pa.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

BROWNSVILLE, PA., July 18, 1872.

River rising, with thirteen feet water in the channel. Weather cloudy; thermometer 69 at 6 P. M.

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Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, July 18.—River twelve feet six inches and rising. Arrived—Andes, Wheeling. Departed—Kenawha, Memphis; Kate Adams, Marietta; Warner and barges, St. Louis. Business light.

Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, July 18.—The river has risen thirteen inches. There is now five feet seven inches in the canal, and three feet seven inches in the chute. Boat business light. Arrived—Charles Cincinnati. Departed—Charmer, Evansville. The Bermuda has been put in place of the Tom Jones in the Cincinnati and Evansville line.

Nashville.

NASHVILLE, July 18.—Another falling again, with three and a half feet large on Harpeth Shoals. Weather very warm; sultry showers during the day; rain continues to-night. The Umpire departed for Cairo.

Cairo.

CAIRO, July 18.—Arrived—City of Helena, Vicksburg; Mollie Swan, Vicksburg; Vice President, Louisville; Ella Hughes, Nashville; Idlewild, Evansville; Mary Houston, New Orleans; Grand Tower, of Helena, St. Louis; Anna Boyce, St. Louis; City of Helena, St. Louis; Anna Red river; Vice President, St. Louis; Pink Varble, Memphis; Emilie Labarge, Red river; Mary Houston, Louisville; Idlewild, Evansville. The river has risen nearly two feet. Cloudy; thermometer 82.

St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, July 18.—Arrived—Harry Johnson, Keokuk; Huntsville, Peoria; City of Helena, Vicksburg; Northwestern, St. Paul; Richmond, New Orleans. Departed—Crescent City, New Orleans; Harry Johnson, Keokuk; St. Luke, Jefferson City; Julia, Vicksburg; Meteline, St. Paul. After rising about three feet the river is again falling. Cloudy and warm.

Vicksburg.

VICKSBURG, July 18.—Down—Mary Alice and barges and Imperial and barges. Up—H. S. Turner and City of Vicksburg.

Little Rock.

LITTLE ROCK, July 18.—Another cloudy and warm. The river has risen one foot in the last twenty-four hours. There is eleven feet by the gauge here. Arrived—Thos. H. Allen, Memphis.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, July 18.—No arrivals. Departed—Bismarck, St. Louis; City of Cairo, Louisville. Cloudy and warm.

ADDITIONAL MARKETS.

Buffalo Live Stock Market.

BUFFALO, July 18.—Cattle—Receipts to-day 527, making the supply for the week thus far 4,012, against 8,042 same time last week. Market slow but strong at a decided advance on last week's prices. Buyers are not disposed to take hold freely at the rates demanded. The run this week has been the lightest of the season. The stock in the yards is small. About 726 were disposed of—545 Illinois, 1,070 to 1,378 lbs, at $5 60@6 40; 60 Texans, 1,193 to 1,220 lbs, at $4 75@5 00; 19 Michigan, 1,022 lbs, at $4 50; 35 Michigan stockers, averaging 910 lbs, at $4 50; 40 Ohio steers, 1,126 lbs, at $5 85.

Sheep—Receipts to-day 1,000, making the supply for the week thus far 16,700, against 9,400 same time last week. Market unchanged. Sales 889 Ohio sheep, 92 to 89 lbs, at $5 50@6 25; 174 Canada lambs, 63 lbs, at $6 00.

Hogs—Receipts to-day 1,500, making the supply for the week thus far 12,700, against 10,200 same time last week. Market slightly advanced on yesterday's rates, with the pens clear of stock. The demand is good at an advance. Sales 74 Illinois, 356 lbs, at $4 50; 74 millers, averaging 206 lbs, at $4 40.

New York Live Stock Market.

NEW YORK, July 18.—Beeves—Receipts to-day 84 cars, making 5,800 since Saturday, against 7,200 same time last week. Market active, everything selling and at a slight advance. Poor to choice cat Texans sold at $35; ordinary 6 cars Illinois at $6 7½; good to choice, 7c @ 8¼; ordinary to fair 7½c @ 8c; 6 cars fat 7¾ cwt Illinois at 8¼c. Calves—Receipts 3,000 to-day, and 12,200 since Saturday, against 12,600 same time last week. Stock in demand, and latter rather higher, or 9@11c for Western and 10@12½c for Jersey. A car, 53 Ohio sheep, sold at 6½c; a car, 77 St. State, at 6¾c; a car, 61 Canada lambs, at 11½c; 2 cars Kentucky, 85 lbs, at 9¾c; a deck, 60 lbs Jerseys, at 12½c.

Hogs—Receipts to-day 49 cars, making 18,000 since Saturday, against 20,000 same time last week. Market firm at an advance, dressed selling at 5¾@6¼c.

Baltimore Live Stock Market.

BALTIMORE, July 18.—Cattle active and a shade higher; quality of offerings better; very best on sale to-day 5¾@6¼c; that generally rated first quality 4¾@5½c; medium or good to fair quality 4@4½c; receipts 1,305; sales 1,169. Hogs in good demand; supply limited; prices 5¾@6c higher, or 6¾@7c; receipts 4,231. Sheep active for good quality; common in limited demand; sales at 4¾@5½c; receipts 3,842.

Milwaukee Market.

MILWAUKEE, July 18.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat quiet and weak; No 1 Milwaukee $1 29; No 2 Milwaukee $1 22. Corn in fair demand at lower rates; No 2 mixed 40½c. Oats in fair demand at lower rates; No 2 26c. Rye dull and prices declined; No 1 95c.

COTTON MAKETS.

Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, July 18.—Cotton dull; middling 22¾c.

Memphis.

MEMPHIS, July 18.—Cotton—good grades firm; low middling 22¾c.

Nashville.

NASHVILLE, July 18.—Cotton dull and lower; low middling 21¾c.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, July 18.—Cotton—Good ordinary 20¾c; low middling 21¾c; middling 22¾c.

Savannah.

SAVANNAH, July 18.—Cotton flat; middling 22½c.

Mobile.

MOBILE, July 18.—Cotton dull and nominal; middling 22c.

Charleston.

CHARLESTON, July 18.—Cotton dull and easier; middling nominal at 22c.

Galveston.

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STATE POLITICS.

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The Venango *Citizen* says: Four or six Greeley Liberals in Franklin, and the same number in Oil City, propose to nominate a county ticket. They pretend to be Republicans, but are hob-nobbing with the Democrats to whom they promise the major part of the nominees. We are informed by one inside the little ring that the slate is already made out, and the Democrats will be called in convention to ratify the nominations made by half-a-dozen men. Having swallowed Greeley, the leaders of the Democracy can have no trouble in taking in a few sickly Liberals out of the cold.

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Eruptions of the Mountain Merapi.

In the evening of the 16th of April the volcano Merapi, in Java, which had been quiet since 1865, began to show signs of vigorous life. Streams of lava issued out of the mountain, and rushed furiously forward, buried whole villages in their fiery masses, filled up the ravines and checked the course of rivers. The outburst was one of the most frightful ever known. It came so unlooked for that every one was surprised by it. A river in the neighborhood of the mountain was filled with lava to the depth of fifteen feet. All the trees on its banks (which are eighty feet high) have been consumed or scorched by the fearful heat. A great many human beings have perished, together with their villages. Very little is yet known of the fate of those dwelling on the mountain itself to a height of 6,000 feet, the mountain being inaccessible; the authorities, who endeavored to ascertain the cause of the smoking of the volcano, saw only smoke, ashes and glowing lava. Showers of ashes, stones and sand followed the casting out of the lava, and caused dreadful devastation. Deep ravines between the hills. The contracts will probably be awarded to-morrow.

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COLORED REPUBLICANS.

Meeting Last Night—Election of Delegates to the State Convention.

Last evening the colored delegates elected at the primary meetings held on Monday last, met in the Franklin School House for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention.

The meeting was organized by the election of the following officers: President, G. B. Woodson; Vice President, J. F. Harris; Recording Secretary, J. H. Johnston; Corresponding Secretary, P. J. Carson; Treasurer, Paris W. Burley.

The meeting then proceeded to elect delegates to the State Convention, with the following result: Messrs. P. J. Carson, G. S. Woodson, R. E. Jackson, W. L. Miller, J. C. Harris, W. L. Arnett and R. A. Hall; alternates, J. C. Brown, Thomas Gatewood, S. F. Harris.

A committee of fifteen on finance was then appointed, and after the adoption of a series of resolutions, able and eloquent addresses were made by Messrs. Gatewood, Carson, Watkins, Harris, Woodson and others. The convention then adjourned.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

The Band of the Garde Republicaine.

The time of the appearance of this famous band in our city has been changed from Monday till Tuesday evening of next week. This has been necessitated owing to the great pressure brought upon the management to give one concert in Cincinnati on next Monday evening. It was intended at first that the band should not visit the Queen City, but the people became jealous of the treat afforded the Chicagoans, and the band consented to give one concert there. The members, however, have determined not to give up the two days allotted to Pittsburgh, as they are very anxious to see our manufactories, mills, &c., of which they have heard so much in *La Belle* Fnance.

The first concert will take place at the Pittsburgh Opera House on Tuesday evening, on which occasion the beautiful auditorium will no doubt be filled to repletion. The opening of the box office for tickets will be duly announced.

The Observatory Robbery.

On the night of the 8th instant, the Allegheny Observatory was entered by thieves, and the object glass of the large equatorial telescope stolen. The fact of the robbery was known to the reporters soon after its occurrence, but at the earnest solicitations of those connected with the institution, and the Board of Trustees, it was withheld from publication, as there was some clue to the thief, and it was believed the glass would soon be recovered. As a contemporary has given publicity to the robbery we append the particulars. The thief effected an entrance by prying open a window in the west end of the building. The only purpose of the thief was to secure the object glass, as nothing else was disturbed. It is evident from the manner in which the glass was removed, that the thief had a perfect knowledge of the instrument, otherwise it would have been an hopeless undertaking to have attempted to remove it. The loss is a serious one, as the instrument cannot now be used, and it will be a difficult task to obtain another one. It will be as in ore deeply felt at this time, as Professor Langley was engaged in making important observations. The glass was manufactured by the late Henry Fitz, of New York, and was valued at $4,000. An individual who was formerly connected with the institution, and who is supposed to be insane, is suspected of perpetrating the robbery, and Officer Bowden has been detailed to work up the case. The officer will return the early part of next week.

LAST night, a man giving his name as Cook, relieved an overburdened stomach on one of the floors of the Monongahela House. Mr. S. W. Wilson, one of the clerks of the establishment, suggested to Cook the propriety of paying some one to remove the nuisance, as he was not a guest of the house. Cook did not think he would, and in order to convince Mr. Wilson of the fact, planted his fist forcibly on the latter's left eye. Officer McAfee noticed the gymnastics, and Cook was arrested and taken to the station house, where he left thirty dollars for his appearance to answer this morning.

South Pittsburgh Council.

Last evening there was held a special meeting of the Council of South Pittsburgh, Burgess Murray in the chair.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The Pittsburgh, Charleston and Virginia Railroad Company sent in a communication asking the borough authorities to change the location of the engine house and offering to trade to them for the property a lot advantageously situated on the opposite side of Carson street.

The proposition of the company was accepted and approved by the Council.

Repairs were authorized to be made on the Carson street sewer, at the foot of the Brownsville road.

Some business of minor importance was then transacted and the meeting adjourned.

CITY MATTERS IN BRIEF.

NONE of our county courts are now in session.

THE French band will not arrive until Tuesday.

THE Mayor talked law to thirty-two prisoners yesterday morning.

MR. A. W. HALL, business manager of the French Band, arrived last evening from Chicago.

THE inclemency of the weather has necessitated the postponement of the Oakland Park races.

THE Monongahela river, opposite the wharf, was alive with boats at an early hour this morning.

LAST evening there was a slight fire at the house of Amos Richings, in Temperanceville. Damage trifling.

THE rain yesterday partly washed away the foundation of a house in Limerick, leaving the building in a precarious condition.

MISS MULHATTAN, of Allegheny City, has been elected Principal of the graded schools of Etna borough. An excellent selection.

YESTERDAY, Lena Hillman sued Samuel Pearson, before Alderman Taylor, for surety of the peace. Defendant was held for hearing.

MAYOR CALLOW yesterday handed in his quarterly report, for the quarter ending June 30, to the Controller, showing the receipts from fines, etc., to be $2,243.

A MEMBER of the McClure township band is accused of confiscating $125, the pay of the band for tooting at the barbecue on the Fourth.

THE dog population is actively being reduced by the night police. If you own a valuable dog and desire it should continue to breathe, tie it up.

JOHN O'BRIEN, Joseph Barr and William Shields were sent to the workhouse for thirty days each by Mayor Blackmore yesterday. They had been disorderly.

YESTERDAY forty-one towboats departed, taking away three hundred and seventy-four barges, &c., containing 18,812,000 bushels of coal.

MR. ZEHNDER, the Meat Inspector of Allegheny, yesterday condemned a lot of gravel vegetables, which were exposed for sale in the Market House.

JOHN O'LEARY appeared before Alderman Barr, at the "forks of the road," yesterday and charged Edward Lenn with assault and battery. Hearing to-day.

THE Water Commission did not announce the lettings of the new water works contracts yesterday, as anticipated. They will scarcely be able to decide before to-morrow.

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